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September 14, 2004

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

Re: Marg 1 Sand, Reservoir D
Marg 7 Sand, Reservoir E
Egan Field
Acadia Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of RLP Gulfstates, L.L.C. for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Marg 1 Sand, Reservoir D, and the Marg 7 Sand, Reservoir E, in the Egan Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana:

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Marg 1 Sand, Reservoir D, and the Marg 7 Sand, Reservoir E, in the Egan Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana;
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for each such reservoir, and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created;
3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the units so created;
4. To provide that any well drilled outside of the Marg 1 Sand, Reservoir D, or the Marg 7 Sand, Reservoir E shall be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E;
5. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the reservoirs by supplemental orders and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner; and
6. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The Marg 1 Sand, Reservoir D, in the Egan Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of

9,750' and 9,768' in the RLP Gulfstates, L.L.C. (formerly Sun Exploration) – Hayes B No. 4 Well, located in Section 38, Township 9 South, Range 1 West, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

The Marg 7 Sand, Reservoir E, in the Egan Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 9,872' and 9,883' in the RLP Gulfstates, L.L.C. (formerly Sun Exploration) – Hayes B No. 4 Well, located in Section 38, Township 9 South, Range 1 West, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

All pertinent data relating to the proposed units may be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from Leon Comeaux, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, Louisiana 70505, Telephone No.: (337) 233-9839.

Inasmuch as no request for a conference has been timely received in connection with this matter, no conference will be held, and this application is being filed without the holding of a pre-application conference in accordance with the Rules of Procedure. Also, inasmuch as the unit proposals made by this application do not differ from the proposals set forth in the pre-application notice dated September 1, 2004, no additional plats are attached hereto.

Enclosed herewith to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager is a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties. We enclose herewith our check in the amount of \$1,400.00, in payment of the required hearing application fees.

Very truly yours,

PLAUCHÉ & HARTLEY



S. W. Plauché, III

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, District Manager
Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties shown on the attached list



